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INTRODUCING NEW SENIOR STAFF

At Oasis 2012, the assembly approved the addition of new senior staff who will play a key role in assisting our churches to think missionally and find creative ways to share the gospel.



Paul Carline, Director of Intercultural Ministries (Sept 2012) - A 3/4 time position in partnership between CABC and CBM (Canadian Baptist Ministries). Working with the

Ethnic Ministries Working Group, Paul will help us find ways to speak to issues of racism, inclusion, sensitivity training, and assist our churches in creating new ministries to various cultural groups. Paul and his family live in Quispamsis, NB.



Cheryl Ann Beals, Director of Spiritual Formation & Clergy Care (April 2013) - Cheryl Ann will be tasked with assessing our pastors' overall health and well-being

as well as developing resources in the areas of continuing education, holistic spiritual formation and crisis care. Cheryl Ann will continue to live in the Halifax area.



Garth Williams, Associate Executive Minister (AEM) (Sept 2012) - Along with other AEM responsibilities, Garth is now the Director of the Lay Pastor Training Program

and gives oversight to the Board of Ministerial Standards & Education. Garth (@drgvw) and his family reside in St. Stephen.



Greg Jones, Associate Executive Minister (July 2013) - Greg has served as Director of Development and Regional Minister, and is currently a member of the

Transition Team. Along with the other AEM responsibilities, Greg will be responsible for Ministry Placement and assisting pastors & churches through transitional periods. Greg (@gwjonescabc) and his family currently live in Quispamsis, NB.



Jon Turner, Associate Executive Minister (July 2013) - Along with the other AEM responsibilities, Jon will oversee the Atlantic Baptist Mission Board. Currently

the Director of Mission for the Saltmine Trust (UK), Jon is an ordained minister and specialist evangelist accredited by the Baptist Union of Great Britain. Jon, his wife Jessica (originally from NS) and their family will live in the Halifax area.

Each Associate Executive Minister will be tasked with overseeing church planting, church renewal, leadership networking and storytelling as outlined in the Senior Staff Proposal, which can be found on our website.

If your church or pastor has questions, please contact Wendy Jones, Coordinator of Ministry Priorities, who will direct your request to the appropriate person (506-635-1922 Ext. 102; wendy.jones@baptist-atlantic.ca).



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CONVERSATION WITH NEW CANADIANS

Our "Traditional Canadian Thanksgiving Dinner" to new Canadians went incredibly well. We didn't make it a "ticketed" event, so we had no way to gauge the number of people coming in advance. We decided 150 was the maximum we could accommodate over the course of two shifts (hosted at the Salvation Army). So in faith we prepared a meal for that many. We had over thirty volunteers preparing and serving through the whole day, and a crowd began gathering before we even opened the doors. In the foyer, greeters served punch and welcomed people as they gathered and waited for a table. In the end we served almost 120 people from China, Iran, Bhutan, Japan, South Africa, and perhaps others. It was very well received and a lot of fun!



That in itself was a huge thrill for our church, and it increased our passion and vision for what God may be doing.

As people left the meal we handed out invitations to an English conversation group to be held a few days later. On Thursday night we opened the doors not knowing how many we might see. In the end we filled our classroom to capacity with 21 guests plus our volunteer conversation partners. Based on the feedback we got, many of the guests will return again and bring friends.



We're moving quickly and putting things together as we go, but we have a clear sense of God's leading. This success is only a result of months of prayer, research, and building relationships. We're off to a great start! :)

Rev. Gordon Dickinson
*Pastor of Community Outreach,
Cornerstone Baptist Church (PE)*

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